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VOLUME FIFTY

TOBOGGAN SLIDE NEARLY FINISHED

WILL BE FINISHED FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Many Await Opportunity to Enjoy the Winter Sports

The weather man has finally come across with sufficient snow and cold for construction of the toboggan slide at the Military reservation. The elevated "start-off" and the takeoff at the lake, and the electric lighting and coffee house have been finished for several weeks but the absence of snow held up the necessary parts for completing the toboggan slide. But the heavy fall of snow since last week Thursday and reasonably cold weather have made it possible for the construction committee to go ahead with the building of the toboggan slide.

A crew of eight men have been busy all week on the making of the slide and they have it about ready for use and big day is in store for the live ones who care to participate in this fascinating and thrilling sport next Sunday.

Whole families will be privileged to use the slide all season for the small sum of \$1.00. 25 cents per day will be charged for individuals who do not hold season tickets. It is hoped to be able to maintain the slide without further request for money from business men and others. It is felt that those who use the slide will be only too glad to assist in paying the expense of constructing and maintaining it.

A few simple rules have been laid down by the committee in charge that are intended for the safety and comfort of those who partake in the sport. Among the rules adopted are the following:

Rules
No stunt riding.
No overloading.
No poor toboggans.
Ask the starter.

Take no chances.

Warning: We are not responsible for any accidents.

These instructions are intended for safety and if adhered to there should be no danger of accidents. With the past year's experience as a guide, the slide has been built substantially and for safety as well as for pleasure. Signs will be conspicuously posted with the above instructions clearly printed. Also there will be signs stating the schedule of charges and rates that read as follows:

Toboggan Slide and Ice Rink

There will be no charge for children of school age. Season family tickets are \$1.00. All persons not holding season tickets will be required to pay 25 cents per day.

Taxi Charges—Taxi charges from and to Grayling will be \$1.50 per car one way—25 cents per passenger.

Toboggans—Toboggans may be rented at the rate of 50 cents per day.

Besides the genuine fun of coasting down the fast toboggan slide, an afternoon spent in the open is highly invigorating and a wonderful health builder. Winter sports are no longer a novelty but a real privilege in which people may get away from their overheated homes and breathe the pure fresh air under pleasurable conditions. Properly dressed nobody experiences any discomforts and they come home tired but fired with enthusiasm and ready to enjoy a good night's sleep. It is a great tonic and a physical developer. And the enjoyment of the slide is for old and young alike and for the slim and for the portly, unless the latter may be too wide to fit in between the iced walls of the slide.

And there will be a cozy place in which one may rest and, if desired, refresh themselves with hot coffee and sandwiches. This is built near the center of the slide, and convenient for everyone, including spectators.

A large crowd is looked for at the slide next Sunday. Everyone who can do so should be out to help dedicate the new slide.

Special programs and tournaments are being planned for the near future.

WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The club met Monday, Jan. 23rd at the club rooms. Mrs. Roy Milnes read a paper prepared by Ethel Taylor on the history of Grayling. This contained many interesting facts. It might be interesting to the people of Grayling to know that the town of Grayling was originally known as Forest, because it stood in a dense forest at that time. Later the name was changed to Crawford, named from the county. The name Grayling came from the fish by that name which were abundant in the streams around Grayling at that time.

Mrs. Schmidt read an interesting paper on Period furniture. The principal periods mentioned were: The Elizabethan period, Charles I, William and Mary, Louis XIV, XV and XVI. Mrs. Schmidt also read an interesting article from the Grand Rapids paper on furniture development and the establishing of Grand Rapids as a furniture center of the world.

REV. MORROW GIVES TEMPERANCE SERMON

TELLS BENEFITS AND NEEDS FOR PROHIBITION

Rev. Geo. W. Morrow, ex-president of the Anti Saloon league an indomitable temperance worker, occupied the pulpit of Michelson Memorial church last Sunday and gave a stirring discourse on the advantages of the present prohibition laws and bade back memories of the old days of the saloon.

Using the text: Hebrew IV-15, "Remember the Lord who is great and terrible and fight for your brethren, your sons and daughters, your wives and your houses," he said in part as follows:

"And I believe you will agree with me when I declare that the 18th amendment is the greatest welfare movement in the country.

The opponents of the Prohibition Amendment are trying to make the world believe that Prohibition was in some way "put over"; that the people were taken unaware.

But prohibition as a national policy was not adopted until after 68% of the population of this country was already living in dry territory. Not until 33 states had of their own accord adopted the policy.

Then the 18th Amendment was submitted by a two-third vote in each house of Congress. And the Amendment was ratified by the most overwhelming majorities ever given to a change in our Federal Constitution.

There have only been 19 Amendments to the Constitution since its adoption 140 years ago. The first 10 Amendments called the "Bill of Rights" were ratified by a bare three-fourth majority. Three of the thirteen states did not ratify these 10 amendments. The 11th was the same 4 states never ratified the 12th Amendment.

5 states never ratified the 13th Amendment.

4 states never ratified the 14th Amendment.

6 states never ratified the 15th Amendment.

6 states never ratified the 16th Amendment.

12 states never ratified the 17th Amendment.

10 states have not yet ratified the 18th Amendment.

But 46 states have ratified the 18th Amendment.

Two momentous changes have taken place since prohibition was adopted.

There has been a great Industrial Revolution. The key word of that industrial revolution is "Mass Production". The demands are speed, safety, service, conservation of man power and elimination of waste.

Down the Detroit river, where I live are shipped the great boat loads of ore from the shores of Lake Superior above on to Cleveland where the ore is reloaded on to cars to be shipped to Pittsburgh. A few years

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1—View in business district of Houston, Texas, where Democratic national convention will be held. 2—Dr. C. O. Wu, appointed special envoy to United States to negotiate treaties with the Nanking Nationalists. 3—Members of Workers' Communist party demonstrating in Washington against American intervention in Nicaragua.

COAST ARTILLERY HERE NEXT JULY

202D ILLINOIS REGT. ORDERED TO GRAYLING

The 202d Coast Guard Artillery regiment of Illinois National Guard has been ordered to Grayling for their summer training period, and are scheduled to arrive July 14th and remain until July 28th.

Our readers will recall that this unit trained at Camp Grayling last July. They are an anti-aircraft organization and different from any military organization that has ever occupied the reservation and their training was in some respects spectacular and very interesting and all new to the people of this community.

Airplanes were used for carrying aerial targets which were shot down by the great anti-aircraft guns. And at night balloons were sent up as targets for the machine gunners and they are indeed the instance that they escaped the bombs. The gunners proved themselves skilled in their work. Altogether this unit is a wonderful organization in our national defense. According to statement made by Col. Shand, property and dispensing officer of Illinois National Guard, "The 202d Coast Artillery is the best regiment of National Guardsmen in coast artillery training and equipment in America."

In speaking of the summer camp held here last summer, Col. Charles J. Kraft, commander of the regiment, enthusiastically acclaimed Camp Grayling as being the most beautiful site on which the Regiment has ever encamped.

"The Michigan climate is healthy and everything has been ideal for our annual training. The boys have responded with a great improvement in their work and this year's camp has been unusually successful. The attitude of our boys has been splendid."

The 202d Coast Artillery came to Grayling total strangers. They remained here two weeks and took with them a lot of warm friends. Col. Kraft and his officers are a fine lot of men, and the young men serving in the ranks left good marks for conduct and they too will find a warm welcome awaiting them upon their return to Grayling.

The unfortunate thing occurred while the 202d was in camp and that was beyond the control of anyone and that was that the weatherman treated them badly upon a couple of occasions.

One was the hurricane that visited them the last Sunday morning they were in camp, that leveled nearly all the tents and drenched almost every fellow in camp. It was a sick looking crowd that the editor of the Avalanche met early Sunday morning, but by the wonderful system and organization of the several units, order was restored in remarkably quick time.

The day was cold and dreary but in spite of the calamity the men in camp were soon smiling again and trying to be happy. And the last two days of camp were rainy and deprived the units of the opportunity of completing some of their plans for training. It doesn't seem as the lightning can strike again in the same place and we are hoping for two weeks of ideal weather next summer. If that feature is well taken care of we are sure that all else will be fine.

We are indeed glad the 202d C. A. is to be with us again this summer. They will be most cordially welcome.

School Notes

Editors: Marius Hanson, Isbrand Harder, Ellen Speck.

Some of our students stand at the fountain and drink all day just because it's free.

If the expected automobile war becomes fierce enough, beggars may yet ride.

Every time we hear of another inquiry, probe, investigation, etc. we think well, if half the world doesn't know how the other half lives, they can't say it doesn't try.

Mute B.—Wilmer was almost drowned last night.

Clement B.—How come?

M. B.—The pillow slipped, the bed spread, and he fell into the spring.

Miss Adams—Jack, I wouldn't slide down that banister like that.

Jack Z.—Wouldn't you? Show me how you would do it, then.

Truman L—I showed Miss Lee up today.

Alva S.—How come?

T. L.—She asked me for Lincoln's Gettysburg address, and I told her he never lived there.

When one reads in the paper that Miss Sonia Ivanoff and Miss Gabrielle de Montmorency are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith one knows that a couple of movie girls are home for the holidays.

Miss Adams (in Biology)—The class will now name some lower species of animals, beginning with Elizabeth Matson.

Stanley Stephan—Do you serve any cheese with apple pie?

Waiter—Sure, we serve anyone here.

Julian S (while visiting on his uncle's farm)—Is that the hired man over there?

Uncle—No, that's the first vice-president in charge of the cows.

JEAN MACDONALD TO ENTERAIN YOU

Jean MacDonald, well-known dialect reader-entertainer, who appears on the Lyceum course here, Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st is a born imitator. Of Scotch-Irish descent, her readings in that dialect are masterpieces of interpretative art, and carry her audiences away in gales of laughter.

Stories of the North and West, regions with which Miss MacDonald is especially well acquainted, as well as quaint southern stories, are a part of her interesting program.

She is a favorite entertainer with children, and her repertoire includes many numbers that appeal to them as well as to their elders.

Jean MacDonald leaves her audiences voicing most enthusiastic approval in her behalf. She fills any return engagements, which is sure test of her popularity.

Mayor Walker of New York ordered the night clubs to close at 3 a. m. following the New Year's celebration. But this didn't cause many hardships because most of the money had been spent by that time anyhow.

Buttin' In

HELLO BOYS!

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for 1928

FIND THAT HOSPITALITY PAYS

That genuine hospitality toward the motor tourist is being shown by a vastly larger number of municipalities, large and small, is an achievement in which the motor club may take the greatest pride. This fact is pointed out by Frank A. Picard, President of the Automobile Club of Northern Michigan who declares that the broader mutual understanding between the community and the visitor has served to make touring more of a delightful venture than ever before.

"Good roads and better cars, together with the broader and more through-going service given by the motor clubs generally, are regarded as the most important factors in the growth of the motor touring movement," says Mr. Picard. "That valuation of the situation is correct as far as it goes, but one cannot lose sight of the remarkably improved attitude toward the motor wayfarer that is being shown in all parts of the country.

"This club and the hundreds of others affiliated with the American Automobile Association have worked for many years to gain the cooperation of municipal officials in putting to route those individuals and agencies that have pretended to play host to the motor traveler only that they might prey upon him. The necessary cooperation has been granted and municipalities everywhere are seeing to it that the tourist is treated as a worthy guest, not a stranger to be imposed upon and victimized.

"Towns and cities have found that an unselfish approach to the policy of being truly hospitable has been marked by the valuable reward of popularity with the millions who are traveling by automobile. Those that have not taken this attitude have paid the inevitable penalty of being passed by."

ALUMNI BAND A SUCCESS

The Alumni Band, our new musical organization has met with success at all of its recent appearances.

This orchestra has lately been sponsoring dancing parties at the Temple theatre and in each instance the crowds attending speak well of their music and ability for a group at practically the beginning of their musical career, as an organization.

Their "moonlight" dances are especially entertaining and as a novelty feature they present a "musical-saw", which has won comment from all of those attending. The soft tones of this instrument is especially enjoyable on their waltzes.

This band has recently been acquired by the High School Athletic Association to play for dancing parties after high school basketball games. So come prepared to dance.

You will not only enjoy it, but you will be assisting the Athletic Association which merits and appreciates your patronage.—Advertisement.

DON'T MISS HEARING JEAN MACDONALD

Miss Jean MacDonald, well-known as a premier dialect reader, will be heard on the Lyceum course Wednesday evening, Feb. 1st in one of her popular entertainment programs.

Scotch-Irish readings will be rendered with a naturalness that few other than Jean MacDonald can command, while typical stories of the South and of the North and West are included in her repertoire.

Of Scotch-Irish parentage, Miss MacDonald is by nature gifted with the power of story-telling and mimicry, while years of study have assisted greatly in perfecting this inborn talent.

Miss MacDonald devotes a share of her program to numbers that appeal especially to children, but which are equally well-liked by elder people. A mid-western report recently stated "Miss MacDonald's readings are sufficiently varied to meet the demands of everyone. Her technique is such as to win the approval of the most exacting critic."

BRIDGE CLUB ENJOYS SEVERAL DELIGHTFUL PARTIES

The Bridge Club resumed their social activities after the holiday vacation with several very delightful affairs. Mrs. A. J. Joseph opened her home for the first occasion, entertaining with a very attractive luncheon. The long table was centered with yellow marigolds arranged in a silver flower dish around which were yellow candles in silver candlesticks.

Mrs. Oscar Schumann held the high score for the bridge game which followed.

On Thursday evening the club and their husbands were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marius Hanson Holger Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett at Shoppenagons Inn. A large silver basket filled with pink carnations and freezies and two smaller baskets filled with other flowers completed a very prettily arranged dinner table at which twenty-six guests were seated.

The evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hanson with six tables filled for bridge prizes being won by Mrs. Robt. Reagan, Mrs. C. R. Keypert, Alex Mason and O. W. Hanson.

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Washington, D. C., Jan. 24—New England club women are nothing if not forward-looking in planning their activities. Although the Biennial Convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held in San Antonio, Texas, does not convene until May 29-June 6, New England has its excursion planned, its itinerary arranged and printed matter thoroughly circulated throughout Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Besides visiting several cities in Texas in addition to San Antonio, the club women will make stops in Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and Tennessee, and a side trip into Mexico is also announced.

"Singing Massachusetts" the name chosen by that state for its delegation—and it promises to be a big one. A singing rally will be held early the coming spring and in this a choral contest will be featured.

The winner of the contest will head the "Singing Massachusetts" delegation in its march south under the slogan, "On to San Antonio." Always active in Federation affairs, Massachusetts has a



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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

They say that Secretary Mellon is holding the key to the 1928 campaign. That is better than being left to hold the bag—Buffalo Courier and Express.

Of course, to those people who can afford to wear finger-ring watches it doesn't make much difference what time it is.—Detroit News.

It is rather humorous to find Trotzky yelling for free speech in a country where he was instrumental in suppressing it.—Detroit Free Press.

All's problem is to thaw out the solid South and keep it solid, too.—Dallas News.

Republicans vaunt the elephant and Democrats the donkey, but watch both animals lie down before the camel at convention time.—Boston Transcript.

Perhaps it would be well to pause and ponder on what would become of us if Mr. Hoover quit work long enough to run for President.—Omaha News.

Every time an American collector picks up another old suit of armor in England the shipping clerk wants to know what his street address is in Chicago.—Detroit News.

The old-fashioned girl who used to be proud of her home-made bread now has a daughter who brags about the synthetic gin she can make out of denatured alcohol and rain water.

Several cases of leprosy in Europe were traced to germs in a Persian rug. This is the reason we are going to hang on to the old rag carpet for another year or two.

Our office boy says he don't see how bankers can keep a secret when every bank has a teller. We don't believe this boy is going to turn out right.

The old-fashioned rounder who used to have to go to the drug store New Year's morning for a Selselit powder now has to consult an oculist.

New York City now has six million inhabitants and we wonder how many of 'em know that milk comes from cows?

A committee has asked Secretary Kellogg to protest against alleged religious riots in Roumania. Let's

see, wasn't there a League of Nations organized a few years ago?

The advertising slogan "like mother used to make is going to give way some of these days to one which will read "like mother used to smoke."

According to some critics about everything is wrong with our navy. All it seems to be able to do effectively is to fight.

The greatest optimist we know of is the statesman who believes it is possible to increase appropriations and reduce taxes at the same time.

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MEETING

Retail Lumber Dealers, in all parts of Michigan, are looking forward to the Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers Association which will be held in Grand Rapids, February 1, 2 and 3. This association, while old in years, has within the past three years made such progressive steps forward in promoting the home building idea that it is now classed as one of the most active and influential Lumber associations in the country. Advance reservations indicate that the convention this year will exceed in numbers any previous gathering, and a program has been arranged of interest to dealers large and small in all parts of the state.

An array of speakers, most of them of national reputation, will discuss vital matters of lumber merchandising and selling, while the heads of the different departments of the Association will make their usual reports.

The reports of President Charles L. Weeks of Detroit, and the other officers of the association are expected to reveal some very interesting facts to the growth and work of the association. Almost a complete revision of the character of this meeting has been attained this year and they have added to it a great many points of entertainment and interest, which have not previously been given to the delegates who attend. They are giving out in total three hundred and twenty-five dollars in gold in cash prizes and have arranged for a very worthwhile program for the entertainment of the ladies.

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CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere appreciation is hereby extended to our neighbors and friends for their kindness and assistance during the illness and death of our brother and uncle, Samuel Shaw.

Mrs. Susan Reed,

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burke,

Charles Reed.

BASKET SHOOTERS TAKE TWO FROM VANDERBILT

The Grayling basket ball teams had little trouble in disposing of the quintettes representing Vanderbilt here Monday evening.

The High school five, which before the termination included fifteen men, amassed a total of 27 points to 7 for the Vanderbilt team. The High School started with its regulars but were soon replaced by the reserves. The Graylingites jumped into an early lead and were never in danger.

The Vanderbilt five resorted entirely to long shots while the local's shots were in close proximity to the basket.

The game was fast but at times the passing and shooting of our gang was very ragged.

Grayling. FB F T

RF Smith 2 0 4

RF Smith 0 0 0

RF Koivonen 0 0 0

LF Neal 1 0 2

LF Stachcomb 1 0 1

LF Kahonen 1 0 1

C Hendrickson 5 0 10

C LaVach 0 0 0

C Wheeler 0 0 0

RG Brady 2 0 4

RG Speck 0 0 0

RG Schmidt 0 0 0

LG Wylie 1 0 2

LG Fenton 1 1 3

Total 13 1 27

Vanderbilt. FB F T

RF Denning 1 0 2

LF Bonnett 0 0 0

LF Brodin 0 0 0

C Stevenson 2 0 2

RG Sprovenman 1 1 2

LG Alrander 0 1 1

Total 7

Grayling All City, after a very poor start, came to life in the 3rd and 4th periods to run up a grand total of 41 points to the Vanderbilt All City's 21.

The visiting team made an early bid for victory when they lead at the quarter 9 to 6. The locals led the scoring in the next period and after a desperate struggle tied the score 12 to 12 at the half. Between halves the Graylingites recovered their poise as well as basket ball ability and came back the last half to outscore their opponents 29 to 9.

Grayling All City. FB F T

LF Matson 1 0 2

LF Wilson 3 1 7

C Milnes 0 0 0

RG Robertson 5 0 10

RG Hanson 0 0 0

LG Cushman 10 2 22

Total 10 3 41

Vanderbilt All City. FB F T

Farron 4 3 11

Perry 3 0 6

Kelley 2 0 4

Adams 0 0 0

Pyke 0 0 0

Fleming 0 0 0

Total 9 3 21

FRANK KILE PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY

Frank Kile of Higgins Lake, passed away suddenly in Grayling last Thursday at 12:30 o'clock of apoplexy. He with his son were on their way home from Grayling, having been there that forenoon to do some trading, when he became suddenly ill on the road near du Pont avenue. His son returned to Grayling with him, and he passed away at Mercy hospital three quarters of an hour later.

Mr. Kile was born September 13, 1874 in Michigan and had resided at Higgins Lake for the past thirteen years. Funeral services were held at the home at Higgins Lake Saturday afternoon and the remains taken to Lapeer for burial.

The deceased is survived by his wife, four daughters and one son, Mrs. Ray Apple of Roscommon, Mrs. Arthur Overmyer of Roscommon, Mrs. Russell Valla of Grayling and Harry and Ruby at home. Also his mother, Mrs. Kile, one sister, Mrs. Will Williams of Higgins Lake and a brother Arthur Kile of Lapeer. Mr. Kile was a member of the Gleaners.

REUNION OF BLUE AND GREY

A plan for a joint reunion of the survivors of the soldiers of the Civil War at Washington next year is proposed in bill introduced in the House by Representative Edgar Howard of Nebraska. The bill provides for a national commission to be in charge.

It is a proposal that must carry a wide appeal. This will be nearly the last opportunity for such a reunion. The commissioners of pensions reports there are only 84,000 surviving Union soldiers. Probably there are fewer surviving Confederate veterans. Fifty thousand of the Union survivors are incapacitated, and it is thought that perhaps only 10,000 men from both armies would be able to be present.

This is a united nation. Could there be a more touching way of dramatizing the fading of the old war feeling than by a reunion of the men who opposed each other in the field?

There ought to be at least one such reunion before the survivors are gone.

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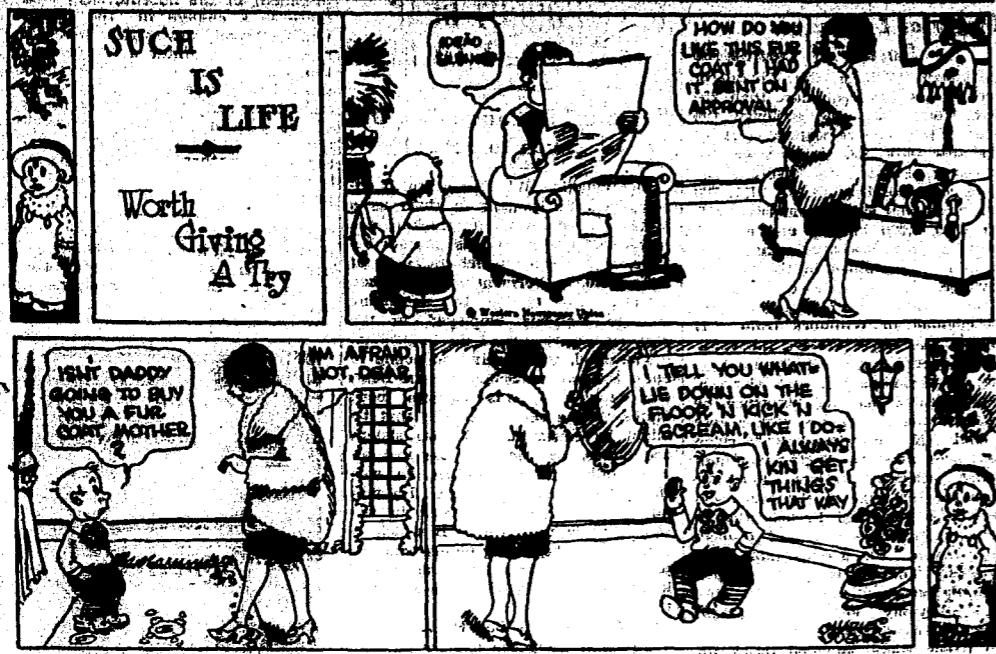
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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO.

THURSDAY, JAN. 5, 1905

Fred Alexander will return to the University the 9th.

The boys are out with their shot-guns and rabbit pie is plentiful.

Fred Michelson has returned to the Ferris school after a delightful week at home.

Mrs. F. Narrin went to Holly Monday to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Mary A. Austin.

Ray Matheson of Roscommon returned to his home Thursday after a few days' employment in this office.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woodburn in town on old chums. She met school work as ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grouliff of Munice, Ind., spent New Years with F. L. Michelson's family at Johannesburg.

"Mack" Taylor has removed from Detroit to No. 33 White street, Delray. He is yet running his part of the M. C. R. R.

The big engine which went into the turntable pit last week was nicely rescued by the wrecking crew and sent in for repairs.

Our blacksmith, David Flagg, is a champion. Last Thursday he fitted, shod and finished seventeen horses alone, all around.

Miss Eva Woodburn has a month's vacation from her stenographic work in Cheboygan, to which she will return about January 20.

Mrs. F. H. Richards and daughter Grace, of East Tawas, were the guests of Rev. H. A. Sheldon and family for the New Year's first days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dingle and Mrs. J. D. Trumper, guests of L. H. Chamberlin and wife for the Christmas holidays, returned home Tuesday.

Wm. Woodfield closed seven years of continuous work delivering goods for Salling, Hanson & Co. How many thousand dollars worth? Guess.

Ralph Fisher, representing the Alma Manufacturing Co. of that city, was the guest of George Mahon and family last Sunday. They are old neighbors and friends.

The changes in the court house this week make it seem almost like a new place, as the new clerk, register, treasurer and judge of probate have assumed their respective offices. Mr. Collen will remain for the month until Messrs. Taylor and Brink est. the run of the machine. Mr. Hoyt will not hurry away from Mr. Becker. If the installation for the next two years is as acceptable as the past there will be little fault found.

W. G. Woodfield moved into his new house Monday. Paint and varnish not dry enough to allow him to celebrate New Years there, but he is all right now.

The new year started in pleasantly. Everybody was out last Sunday enjoying the spring-like air. Forty years ago was the cold New Years when people froze to death in Michigan.

The coal heaver who was injured by the runaway engine here last week died next day. He leaves a wife and three children in the old world, whom he was expecting to join him here in the spring.

A. Pear soll, an experienced Boniface, has rented the McKay house and with his knowledge of the needs of the people will make it the banner \$1.00 day house of the state. We are glad of his coming, for hotel accommodation is needed here. He will continue the feed barn in connection, convenient for farmers and lumbermen.

Died—At her home in this village December 21, Daisy Croteau, aged 65 years. She was buried from St. Mary's church December 24, and the funeral service was attended by a large concourse of friends, attesting the love and esteem in which she was held.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12, 1905

E. N. Salling was in town the last of the week.

P. C. Peterson went to Cheboygan last week on business.

Mrs. O. P. Hanson returned from a visit in Bay City, Monday.

Born—Thursday, January 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Christ Hanson, a son.

Gustave Ernst, of near Judges, was one of the business visitors in town Monday.

Supervisor Chalker came down in Monday's blizzard from his farm in Maple Forest.

The village snow plow was run over the walks last Monday for the first time this winter.

Miss Anna McLean, who has been attending school in Traverse City, is home visiting her parents.

Wm. Wallace has gone to Roscommon to take charge of the city water works and electric light plant.

Sunday and Monday were blizzard days, not very cold, but a piercing

wind, followed by ideal winter weather.

Jos. C. Chonchan, of Lewiston, owner of the telephone line, and all around business man, was in our village, Tuesday.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. James Woodburn on Friday afternoon of this week.

Joseph King, section foreman, fell through the turntable a few days ago and is now resting at his home with his knee in a plaster cast.

D. Connor, formerly a merchant here, but now a lumberman at St. Ignace, was in town, Tuesday, shaking hands with old friends, jovial as ever.

Rev. H. A. Sheldon and family visited with Dr. O'Neil's family in Frederic, on Friday and Saturday of last week.

Miss Bishopric, who has been with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Douglas for the holidays, returned to New York last Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Leighton have returned from Bay City and will be at home in their house in the northeast part of the village for the balance of the winter.

Mrs. E. P. Vandewater is packing up their household effects for removal to their new home in Owosso. There are several families in town that could be better spared.

Perry Ostrander was doing missionary work among the grangiers in the north part of his district last week, but adjourned on account of snow.

M. A. Williams of Midland lost the end of his thumb by being caught in some way while at work on the flange Monday morning. Dr. Inley did the fancy work for him after.

H. Bates of Maple Forest, came down Monday, after a load of brick for the pest house chimneys, but the wind had blown the snow off the road this side of the hardwood, so that he shipped them up by rail.

The alarm of fire Monday forenoon called out the town in quick time. It proved to be a small blaze in the addition to Shopenagons' house which was extinguished with little damage by a bucket brigade.

Miss L. E. Williams has enjoyed (?) most of the winter nursing a sick finger. The surgeon's knife and local treatment have not been sources of unalloyed pleasure, but it is better and she hopes it will soon be well again.

Nothing Really New in Form of Disease

That the ills of the ancients were the same as those of modern people was made clear recently by Sir Humphrey Davy Rolleston in an address to the British Medical Association. The difference, he said, was that they diagnosed them less accurately, and gave them different names.

Tuberculosis had been identified in the Egyptian mummies, and was very prevalent in ancient Greece. Mumps appeared to be one of the few acute infectious diseases accurately isolated in ancient Greece. Bubonic plague was undoubtedly a disease of established antiquity. The pestilence which attacked the Philistines after their capture of the ark was thought to have been plague. Those who did not die were advised to make offerings of five golden representations of their tumors and of five golden mice. The appearance of plagues had been recognized in the Third century B. C. In Egypt, Libya and Syria malaria was proved to have been very prevalent, in Greece from the Fourth century B. C., and in Italy from about 200 B. C.

One investigator had come to the conclusion that six of the twenty-four sultans from 1229 to 1695 were victims of arthritis. Much able argument had been brought to prove that the sweat, the illness was really influenza, added Sir Humphrey Rolleston. Appendicitis existed long before it was "baptized" in 1868, and Sir Humphrey referred to descriptions of cases as far back as 1834 for its widespread and frequent incidence.

We still believe Al Smith has the best chance to get the Democratic nomination for President in spite of the fact that Norman Hapgood has come out for him.

According to New York dispatches Tammany objects to having the Democratic National Convention in Detroit because the Michigan city is too wet. Well, if Tammany thinks it's too wet it must be.

In England it rains every day; in Spain it never rains. In California there is eternal sunshine, and in Alaska twelve months of winter. Here we have all varieties of weather within a week. I like it.

Coach to Coach Coaches



FACE LIFTING



"Some say it's only the old birds who go in for face lifting. Here's one only eighteen years old who's had hers lifted hundreds of times, and with no ill effect."

A BIT TOO WILLFUL



First Flapper (discussing the older generation)—Are your parents reasonable?

Second Flapper—Oh, they're reasonable enough if only they would let me give them the benefit of my experience.

DOESN'T PLAY WITH FIRE



"Dearest, can't you see my heart's on fire?"

"Well, do I look like a fire extinguisher?"

There isn't much to say in such a case, and so I didn't try to say a great deal.

Whichever your friend or your roommate or a fraternity brother or a chance caller volunteers enthusiastically to do a service for you, don't depend upon it too confidently unless you know the person thoroughly. It is easier to promise than to fulfill.

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NO RAISE FOR HIM



"Sir, my expenses at home are increasing and I am growing old in your employ, and—"

"Well, what do you expect me to do—furnish you with monkey glands?"

ONLY GOOD IN SPOTS



Dealer—So you don't like this beautiful leopard-skin rug?

Customer—No, it seems to me to be good only in spots.

COULDN'T HELP IT



Perch—That fellow has a nice sun-skin disposition.

Rock—Sura, he's a sunfish!

On mules we find two legs behind.

And two we find before,

We stand behind before we find

What the two behind be for.

The class was told to write an essay on: "The Result of Laziness." The instructors' astonishment may be imagined when one Freshman handed in a blank sheet of paper except for the heading—"The Result of Laziness."

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THE MAN WHO VOLUNTEERS

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

I WAS in the hospital nursing an inflamed shoulder when Bert and George called on me to help make the hours pass a little more rapidly. I could read even though I was lying on my back, and there was one particular magazine which I very much desired. It was in the news stands, I knew, and probably would not be there very long.

"Is there anything I can get for you?" Bert asked me. "I'd be glad to get it."

"I would like a copy of the last House Beautiful," I said. "There's an article in it by a friend of mine that I want to read."

"There's a news stand just around the corner," Bert said. "I'll go out and get a copy for you now."

"You don't care for it tonight, do you?" George asked. It was already nearly time for them to go and for me to try to get to sleep.

"Oh, no," I answered. "I just want to be sure not to miss it."

"Frank is coming out here tomorrow at eight," George explained, "and I'll have him bring you our copy. We don't care for it. It's too bad to take Bert away just now when we have only a few minutes more to visit."

It was indeed, and I acquiesced quite willingly. But I never saw the magazine next morning nor after wards. I know George very well and just how generous, and impulsive and thoughtless he is. I suppose he has never thought of it again. Having taken the responsibility his obligation passed completely out of his mind. With Bert it was different.

"Did you get that magazine you asked about?" he inquired the next time he dropped in to see me.

"I'm sorry I didn't," I had to confess.

"Well, I was afraid George would forget all about it," he explained "so I brought one along." The obligation which he had momentarily assumed he carried in his mind until he could check up on the other man who had essayed to take off his shoulders. It goes without saying that Bert is a good business man whom his clients know they can depend upon.

The telephone rang before I was up Sunday morning. When I got down stairs it was Goodwin who wanted to talk to me.

"I'm sorry to disturb you and especially on Sunday morning," he began "they always begin that way when I am roused at some inopportune time—but we are just ready to introduce four new men, and I find that Gordon, who was to see about the proper permission, has forgotten to attend to it. He agreed to take care of the matter, and I reminded him last week of the necessity, but he says the whole thing went out of his mind, and here we are."

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For a long time this huge palace was illuminated only by candles after they had become obsolete elsewhere. Now electric bulbs gleam everywhere. Steel pens were not used here—perhaps the Vatican was the last place in the world to demand that documents be written and signed with a quill—but now even the typewriter has penetrated the forbidden doors. The huge place was cold in winter, but tradition allowed no artificial heat until a certain date, quite irrespective of the temperature. Now there are radiators everywhere.

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Court Case Brings to New Order of Things

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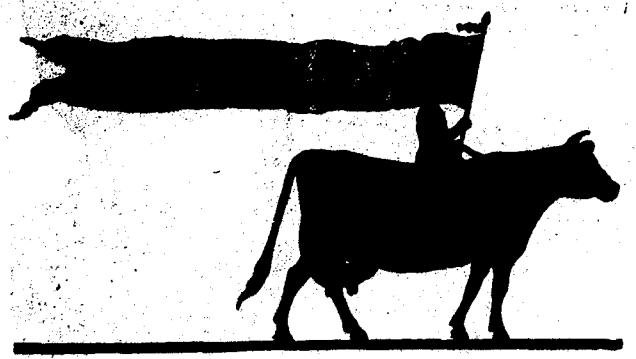
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5 cents on each pound of butterfat produced. The best way to care for manure is to spread it on the fields as fast as it is made. Manure is most valuable when it is fresh, because none of its valuable solids have had time to decompose and waste away in the barnyard. Spread on the fields quickly the goodness of manure gets into the soil where it is valuable.

Of all fertilizers,

Farm Bureau Notes

D. Bailey, Co. Agricultural Agent



"It is being recognized more and more that it is a responsibility of farmers and of their organizations, people there have kept up fertility on soils cropped more than a thousand years. He says: "When soils that have been cropped for more than a thousand years are yielding from 100 to 150 bushels of corn to the acre, 80 to 125 bushels of oats, 40 to 80 bushels of wheat, 200 to 600 bushels of potatoes, and other crops in proportion, one is convinced that the farms are in good hands and the land is receiving fair treatment."

Sunday night is a good time to go. The following Saturday morning is a good time to start back.

Your county agent will be glad to assist you in finding rooms and meals. It should be attended to early.

Enjoys New Barn

Arthur Howse is using the large new barn, built and painted this past summer. It is more than 60 feet long, and thirty-odd feet wide, making a splendid structure. Arthur did not stop with just the barn. He built a good, big silo attached to it and is using the silo. He states that a silo is the real thing for cows in winter, and that his cows are showing their appreciation of it in larger cream checks.

He likes the alfalfa that he already has, and wants to get a greater acreage of it, and of silage corn, with the least possible delay.

What Mr. Howse has done in building a large, real barn and silo, is very cheering and refreshing. While so many are merely marking time or are actually leaving the farm, well aided by Mrs. Howse, he, stays, builds, improves, and plans larger things for the future. Who's next?

Good Bulletin

The county agent has, at the office, some bulletins showing plans for making a lime sower, or distributor, at home this winter.

This sower was developed at our Agricultural College; was not patented; but left so any farmer may make one if he wishes. It has a hopper, a little larger than on an ordinary grain drill. This hooks onto the end of the wagon box. It would be an easy matter to build one, thus insuring an even spread of lime and saving the cost of spreaders sold through channels of trade and costing about \$50.

I will mail directions for making to any who write or telephone for them.

Damage By White Grub

Proper rotation limits damage. We are due for another time of big damage from white grubs in 1930. So says Prof. R. H. Pettit, chief bug man (entomologist) at our Agricultural College.

This is a good case in which the practical farmer can hook up with the learned college professor, and make good use of what the professor knows. The professors do know. We haven't the laugh on them all the time.

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The grubs, working under ground, eat the roots from crops as corn, and grasses, and tunneling in tubers of potatoes, and similar plants.

The farmer is urged to take note of his fields this year and, if white grubs have been eating the roots from his crops, to remember that it is likely to happen again in 1930.

The beetles (that white grubs come from) lay their eggs in grass sod for the most part.

It is well in districts where June bugs are present to avoid raising of corn, potatoes, or any other crop particularly loved by white grubs, if such land happens to be in grass sod or beans during 1929.

In ordinary farm operations one can sometimes forestall serious loss by so arranging his rotation that grubs work at a disadvantage. However, the grubs often work in golf links, and in lawns where rotation is out of the question. In such cases it is possible to secure quite satisfactory results by spraying the trees in the vicinity with arsenate of lead on the year preceding the attack by grubs. It happens that the beetle (June bug that lays eggs from which grub hatch) dearly loves shade trees, and are particularly fond of oaks.

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ATTY. GEN. SARGENT ADDRESSES BAR ASSN.

(A brief summary of an address given January 22, 1928, before the New York Bar Association by John G. Sargent, United States Attorney General.)

Three things are of vital interest in considering the paper—(1) the state in which the address was given. (2) The group before which it was given. (3) The position of the man who gave it.

Mr. Sargent, in the first instance, points out his purpose in giving such an address before the New York Bar Association. They are the select of the Bar and have a deal with the law which reflects, rather which is the expression of the culture, the life of the people. His aim, he points out, is to say something helpful in solving the problems of social existence.

One admires his abruptness of speech in these sentences: "The Eighteenth Amendment of the Constitution is the law of the land."

"The Volstead Act is the law of the land."

He does not attempt to discuss the truth or falsity of such statements as these dealing with the injurious or beneficial effects upon the life of the people of these laws. (1) Managers and proprietors state that their business is improved and the efficiency of their forces increased by the absence of liquor. (2) The managers of transportation systems say that the presence of liquor among their forces constitutes a menace to the public safety and cannot be tolerated.

(3) The eminent economists say that the moneys of the wage earner go to buy for himself, his wife, and his children, more food, better clothing etc., whereas such moneys used to go for drink which did him no good.

Rather he points out that there are other forums and speakers to deal with such.

His ability to be concise is seen in this sentence: "In this country the ballot box, creates the duty of the citizen upon the subject voted upon."

The people of the United States have spoken definitely on this matter, so that there is not any ambiguity or temporizing.

Then he attempts to face the situation facing us: "We hear about crime waves etc. but no person or group has arrived at what I regard as the real root of the trouble."

So he seeks to discover the motives

of the farm manures return a large percentage of the plant food removed in the crops. Yet it is found necessary to balance the plant food with commercial fertilizers in the soil to get maximum yields of crops. These farmers are not satisfied with ordinary good crops. They are working for the largest possible returns.

Farmers Maintain Fertility

"The farmers of Germany, France, Italy and Hungary are students of the soil and they insist on returning as much if not more plant food than is removed in the crops. They are using the soil as a medium through which to manufacture, with the aid of the sun, rain and other natural agents, large and profitable crops of hay, corn, wheat, potatoes, fruit and so on. The days of the soil robber are past. The farmer of today must carefully guard, conserve and husband the soil. It is this care, intelligence, and treatment that secures from soil a thousand years old crops as large or larger than those grown on virgin soils in the rich Mississippi Valley."

Stable manure, green manure crops and commercial fertilizers must be used intelligently to maintain the fertility of good soil—first, to enrich the soil, and secondarily, to grow a crop. This is the only type of agriculture that can survive and the only kind that can be prosperous, it matters not what artificial remedies are brought into existence—Southern Agriculturist.

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Written by Rev. J. W. Greenwood, on the occasion of the eighth anniversary of the enactment of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution, January 16, 1928.

MAPLE FOREST SCHOOL GETS PRIZE

The Rural school of Crawford county was awarded a thermometer as a prize by the Michigan Tuberculosis Association for selling \$340 worth of tuberculosis Christmas seals. The sale in the Rural school was directed by Mrs. Charles Owen who distributed the seals to the pupils of the school.

A Christmas seal button was awarded to Fern Verlinde for selling the most number of seals.

The children in the schools were divided into two teams, and the competition in the seal-selling was keen.

OHIO MAN THANKS E. M. T. FOR SERVICES

(By E. M. T. Service)

Sometimes out-of-state tourists in Michigan are so pleased at what they secured in the way of recreational commodities—Health and Happiness—that, of their own volition, they write on their return home to the East Michigan Tourist association. Here is an unsolicited letter:

"I just returned from a trip along the East Side of Michigan and can say that I enjoyed it very much. I want to thank you for your part in making my trip very pleasant through the literature and maps furnished through your organization."

The writer is a business man of Sylvania, Ohio.

IMPROPER OPERATION BLAMED ON DRIVER

By Erwin Greer
(President Greer School of Electrical and Automotive Trades, Chicago, Ill.)

Lack of care and proper operation is responsible for 65 per cent of all automobile troubles.

I speak by the book, right out of the records of my own school. This condition probably exists because so few owners have realized the necessity of learning really to understand the motor vehicle.

The way to get the most out of your car with the least outlay of money is to spend a few dollars and a little time in learning something about the automobile; how to prevent trouble; how to care properly for it and how to drive correctly.

Once you have this knowledge you can save many unnecessary bills and get a great deal more fun.

It is because of this need that automobile schools have been organized.

In addition to the regular lessons on mechanical subjects, lectures are given by outside authorities on the starting, lighting and ignition systems, the storage battery and tires.

It has been said that accidents are decreasing, even though the number of automobiles in use on the highways of the country is on the increase. This is said to be due to more stringent traffic laws, better highways and a more careful pedestrian public.

Automobile drivers should be especially careful to avoid injuring pedestrians who cross the street in the middle of the block, though by all rules and regulations they should cross at street intersections.

A great many accidents and fatalities have been caused by those people on foot who attempt crossing a thoroughfare in a jam of motor traffic in the middle of a block. But the driver should be on the alert to watch for this type. It is very essential to have all brakes working properly as it is a common practice to speed up a bit between street intersections and if the brakes are not working an accident is very likely to occur.

More accidents result from faulty adjustments or application of brakes in my belief than from any other cause. It is important therefore to test your brakes frequently and at least once a month they should be given a thorough test by one who is experienced in this line of work if the owner himself does not possess the proper knowledge of the work to be done.

DOINGS OF STATE DEPARTMENT

According to a writer in the Manchester (England) Guardian "poetry and walking have something in common." "Wordsworth," he says, "is a shining case, rambling far over the dales, boozing his poetry." Souther was another considerable walker. Meredith before his advancing disability demanded the use of mechanical means, ranged over great stretches of country in Surrey still unpolished by golf courses and bungalows.

Tennyson's knowledge of Lincolnshire scenery was the fruit of much walking. Browning was a walker to the very end and on his last visit to Asolo we hear of his daily "morning walk with his sister when everything that was notable was noted by his keen eyes."

Swinburne's daily tramp over Putney Heath is part of the history of English poetry. And so we might continue almost indefinitely; a sedentary poet must be the exception to all literature.

Inflicting Pain

Punishment requires the infliction of pain; if we do not inflict pain, we do not punish. Now, the infliction of pain holds a strange place in human psychology. Nearly all of us think we are loath to cause pain—at any rate, unnecessary pain—but it is not so certain that we are. By causing pain it is possible to establish your superiority over another person, to make yourself feel you are his master—and we all like that. Most of us have this under control, but there is still a vestige of that primitive desire to see somebody else squirm before us. With certain people this is more noticeable than with others.—Winthrop D. Lane in the *Listener*.

Michigan is the first state in the Union to undertake a complete inventory of its land resources. This work was begun in 1922 and is being done by the Land Economic Survey Division of the Department of Conservation in co-operation with the Soil Department Michigan State College. Work has been completed in Charlevoix, Ogemaw, Antrim, Roscommon, Alpena, Menominee, Chippewa, Kalkaska and Crawford. The last named counties were completed in 1927.

Maps and reports dealing with the improvements, land ownership, soil, forest, water power conditions are now being prepared on these counties for general distribution.

P. J. Hoffmaster, Supt. State Parks reports that 5,107,457 people used forty-eight State Parks during the year 1927. This is over 1,500,000 more than ever used Michigan parks in one year before.

The Department of Conservation has 75 full-time employees operating the State's seventeen fish hatcheries. 218,356,894 fish were reared and planted in Michigan waters by the state in 1927, about 40 million of which were brook, brown, and rainbow trout, according to Fred A. Westerman, Supt. of Fisheries.

District Conservation Officers called to Lansing, Monday, January 9, 1928, for one week instruction and conference on matters of vital importance in better conservation conditions in Michigan.

Certain financial experts are now proposing to cut the German reparations and scale down the allied debts in the same proportion. Which is only another method of inducing Uncle Sam to pay for the whole war.

A dusky son of Alabama was busily engaged in a cootie hunt—when asked by a sergeant what he was doing, replied:

"Ise' huntin' for dem 'rithmetic bugs, Washington?"

"Why do you call them arithmetic bugs, Washington?"

"'Cause dey add to ma misery, dey subtracts from ma pleasures, dey divides ma attention, and dey multiply like everythin'!"

Have You A Kick Coming?

BUY THOUGHT DEAF IS TRAINED TO HEAR

Merger of Languages

Result of Conquest

Although William the Conqueror never in his life went more than 200 miles from home, and although the scene of his decisive victory at Hastings lies only 100 miles from his birthplace, Falaise, he diverted the whole course of English life. His 700 open boats that sailed from Dives-mer with 6,000 knights and archers carried as invisible cargo many of the words now contained in the English language. Three-fourths of the words in the present English tongue crossed the channel in William's train. If William had never crossed the channel our speech might have been a mixture of Scandinavian and German.

After William had been crowned he rewarded his lieutenants with grants of land. Norman French lords ruled the shires and the Anglo-Saxon and Danish peasant farmers. For 800 years the language of the court and the nobles remained French, though the common people continued to speak Anglo-Saxon. But a remarkable thing happened. The two languages merged.

Indiana Star.—Whether a sturdy little youngster brought to them as a mute is really deaf and lacking the powers of speech, as his parents believe, is a matter which teachers of School No. 9, Vermont and Davidson streets, are trying to determine through methods employed in the atypical department of the institution.

The child, who is six, too young to enter the Indiana School for

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THE NEW

Atwater Kent Radio

All Electric; Six Tubes. Installed in your home for

\$138.50

MAC & GIDLEY

The Rexall Store

Phone 18

LOCAL NEWS

Buy Artics and rubbers at Olson's and be satisfied.

Mrs. Signa Rasmussen and daughter Ellen Mae were Cayford callers Monday.

Come to Michelson Memorial church tonight and enjoy a fine Chop Suey supper. You will like it.

Kirt Kitchen of Bay City was in Grayling last Friday shaking hands with old railroad friends.

Harry Reynolds was home from Flint over Sunday.

Mrs. John Matthiessen is quite ill at her home and under the doctor's care.

91 years ago today Michigan was admitted to the Union and 132 years ago yesterday vaccination was discovered.

The Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Holger Hanson Friday afternoon, Feb. 3rd. Members are invited to attend. 1-28-2

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There is only one way to have a **real Sale**. That is to reduce prices **ruthlessly**. And that's exactly what we have done here.

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See the women's slippers and oxfords at half price at Olson's.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett returned home Tuesday from a short visit in Bay City.

Tonight—Chop Suey supper at Michelson Memorial church. You will be most cordially welcome.

Don't miss the basketball game tomorrow night when Grayling High school boys will play Standish. Every body out.

Edgar Douglas came down from Lovells yesterday is spending a few Lovells yesterday to spend a few days visiting his father and friends.

Mrs. Nikolin Schjotz returned Friday morning after a couple of weeks spent in Detroit, visiting her brother Alfred Olson and family.

Little John Pagel, son of Alden Pagel, who has been ill at the home of Mrs. Phoebe Owens for a couple of weeks, was removed to Mercy hospital Saturday for treatment.

Last Thursday Grayling was visited by a terrible blizzard that lasted all day and all night Thursday. Electric and telephone lines were put out of commission and traffic was tied up for a while.

In renewing her subscription to the Avalanche, Mrs. A. J. Bennett says their address is 1429 Mississippi Ave., and that they would be glad to have their old friends call on them when they are in Flint.

Don't forget the story hour Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock sharp at the Township library. Children over 5 years are invited. Twelve were out last week and we would like to have more this week.

The menu for the chop suey supper to be given at the Michelson Memorial church dining room, Thursday p.m., Jan. 26, is as follows: Chop suey, rice, buttered buns, pickles, apple pie and cheese, tea and coffee.—50 & 35c.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jenson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter last Thursday. Mrs. Jenson is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw and she and the baby are getting along nicely.

Miss Jean MacDonald, who has delighted Grayling audiences on two previous occasions will be the next number on the Lyceum program, which number will take place Wednesday evening, February 1st, at the Michelson Memorial church.

According to the Ogemaw County Herald, A. P. Ternes sold and delivered a carload of purebred Hereford cattle to Frank L. Michelson of Grayling last week. The herd sold was one of the finest to be found in the state and are fit for any show ring.

Owing to the severe storm the last of the week the Vanderbilt team, who were scheduled to play here Friday night and were making the trip to Grayling by auto, got snowbound and had to turn back necessitating postponing the game until Monday night.

The annual meeting of the Michigan State Press association is being held in Lansing the last of this week. We are indeed sorry to miss it for the meetings are always valuable and also very enjoyable. This will be the first one we have missed in many years.

A meeting of the executive committee of the NorthEastern Michigan Development bureau will be held in Grayling Monday afternoon. At 6:00 p. m. they will enjoy a banquet together at Shoppenagons Inn to which a number of local citizens have been invited.

Waldemar Jenson and Adolph Peterson left Tuesday night for Detroit, where they will re-decorate the whole interior of the Frank L. Michelson home, expecting to be gone eight or ten weeks. This speaks well for Mr. Jenson and his helpers, who are known for their expert and artistic work in this line.

Miss Naomi Hanson of the South Side gave a very delightful old fashioned sleigh ride party Monday afternoon. The party starting from Atkinson's store and proceeding thru the downtown district and back, amid the merry jingle of bells, howling dogs, etc. A good time was had by one and all.

A spire was constructed on top of the Temple theatre the first of the week where the Village council had planned to place the village fire alarm. However before it was completed the plans were changed and it will have to be placed elsewhere. Located, as it is now at the Waterworks, it is not plainly heard and a location is being planned for it.

Although Thursday night was one not fit for anyone to be out, several friends of Mrs. Harry Reynolds, braved the storm and surprised her on her birthday anniversary. They brought along well filled baskets dropping in on her at the supper hour. A very enjoyable evening was spent playing cards and visiting, and the guest of honor was presented with a pretty gift.

A heavy metal casting supporting the fire grates of one of the school house boilers, burned off letting the grates fall down into the ash pit Monday forenoon thus putting the heating plant out of commission until repairs could be made. School had to be closed that noon while the broken part was being repaired, resuming again this morning.

There was not a very large attendance at the Red Cross dancing at the school gymnasium last Saturday night, but those who were there enjoyed dancing to McNeven's orchestra. Red Cross banners made an attractive decoration. It is hoped there will be a better crowd at the next party that is scheduled for Washington's birthday, February 22nd.

There was a fair attendance at the Bridge party given by the Woman's club at Shoppenagons Inn Wednesday night. This was given to raise money for their charity fund. Those present had a real enjoyable time. Mrs. C. C. Clippert and Mr. A. J. Joseph held the high scores. At the conclusion of the games delicious pumpkin pie with whipped cream and coffee were served.

See the \$6.00 and \$7.00 slippers and oxfords at Olson's for \$2.95.

You are sure of getting first quality rubbers at Olson's.

Mrs. Clark Yost is quite ill at her home.

Take your Prescriptions to Central Drug Store.

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B. A. Cooley is absent from his store this week owing to illness.

Ralph Nichols of Saginaw was a guest at the Stinchcomb home last Sunday.

Mrs. Leroy Scott who has been ill at her home with the grip, is much improved.

About 100 pairs of women's slippers and oxfords are being offered at half price at Olson's.

Miss Agnes Hanson is absent from her duties at the Sorenson Bros. store because of illness.

Little Roy Babbitt is getting along nicely after being ill for two weeks with a gathering in his head.

The regular meeting of Grayling chapter O. E. S. No. 88 will be held Wednesday evening, February 1st.

Miss Helen Babbitt was at Mercy hospital Monday for X-ray. She has been ill at her home the past month.

Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon if Lovells was in Grayling Wednesday between trains on her way to Roscommon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Landsberg returned Saturday to their home in Inkster after a few days visit with friends here.

Dance tonight (Thursday) to McNeven's International Five, who have been strengthened by Gordon Underwood of Pontiac Temple Theatre.

Grayling High school boys team will play the Standish High on the local court tomorrow night. You will enjoy the game.

Col. Glenn Arnold and quite a large party of friends are expected to be here next Sunday to enjoy the toboggan slide, that will be ready by then.

Emil Kraus left Monday to spend a few days in Detroit, accompanying the Samuel Friedman family part of the way on their return to Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Friedman and Mrs. Fritze Kraus returned to their home in Grand Rapids, Monday, after being in Grayling for a few days, visiting relatives.

Miss Luanna Lietz, who is practicing her profession of trained nurse in Bay City, is home for a couple of weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roman Leitz.

Last Friday was the first time this year that it was necessary for the snow plow to make the rounds, which was after the severe storm of Thursday and Thursday night.

Mrs. William Cardinal returned home Tuesday from Ann Arbor, where she had been receiving treatment at University hospital since the middle of December.

Mrs. James Brown who was dismissed from Mercy hospital the first of the week, where she had been a patient for a couple of weeks, entered the hospital again yesterday.

Moshier & Son have plate glass on the ground to be installed in their new garage building on Cedar street. In a few days they expect to have an exhibit of Overland and Willys-Knight cars.

George Burke, Ford dealer and T. E. Douglas, Nash dealer were in Detroit, the first of the week attending the auto show. Also Nels Corwin, local dealer for Hudson, Essex and Star cars is in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Vallad of Kalkaska are spending the week here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephan and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Vallad. Mr. Vallad operates an auto garage in Kalkaska.

Mrs. William P. Evans, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rueben S. Babbitt returned to her home in Detroit Saturday accompanied by her son Roger, who has been here for some time.

Bobby Tetu was host to five boy friends at his home last Sunday afternoon in celebration of his birthday anniversary. "Bob" and his little guests had a happy time, and enjoyed the delicious lunch served by Mrs. Tetu.

Postmaster and Mrs. M. A. Bates enjoyed having as their guest the former's niece, Mrs. Fred Gahn of Syracuse, New York, from Saturday until Tuesday. From here Mrs. Gahn went to Gaylord to visit relatives there.

At the regular social meeting of the Women's Auxiliary Tuesday evening, when they were entertained at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Laurant, "500" was enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Alvin LaChapelle and Mrs. Carl Nelson. There were eleven members present.

Friends of Dell Walt will be glad to know that he is recovering nicely at Mercy hospital.

On Friday of last week Dr. Cassidy, specialist of Detroit was in the city, making a thorough examination of the wound, at which time the bullet that was lodged near the spine was removed. If Mr. Walt continues to improve he will be able to be removed to his home within a short time.

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The funeral of Mrs. Ambrose McClain that was held last Thursday afternoon, with services at Michelson Memorial church, was attended by a large congregation of neighbors and friends. Rev. J. W. Greenwood delivered a most impressive sermon, and a choir of voices composed of Mrs. Herbert Gohro, Mrs. Roy Miles, Mesars. E. H. Webb and W. W. Lewis, accompanied by Mrs. C. G. Clippert sang beautifully during the service.

The many beautiful floral wreaths and sprays that covered the casket told of the high respect in which the deceased was held. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

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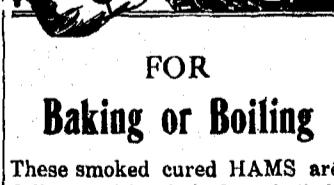
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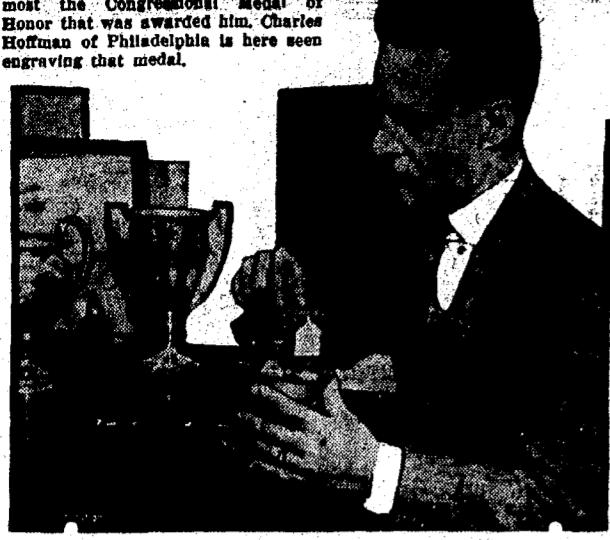
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Engraving Lindy's Best Medal

Of all Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's trophies, undoubtedly he will prize most the Congressional Medal of Honor that was awarded him. Charles Hoffman of Philadelphia is here seen engraving that medal.



REV. MORROW GIVES TEMPER-ANCE SERMON

(Continued from Page 1) ago that "reloading was done by men with wheelbarrows and the best that could be done was 100 tons a day.

Now with great electric shovels they handle 3000 tons an hour. It takes brains to handle that great machinery and that old wheelbarrow man can't even get on the dock.

Where could "beverage alcohol" have a place there?

There are 13,000,000 such employees in America today. Then it was human muscle. Today great electric dynamos have displaced human muscle with complicated and delicate machinery. Where can there be a place there in the future for "beverage alcohol?"

The second momentous change that has taken place since then is in communication and transportation.

You have read of Marconi's latest development, whereby his voice was heard 12,000 miles away, practically half way round the world so that soon man in the near future with that little instrument at his lip will speak out to be heard at once by every inhabitant of the globe. In transportation we have gone on from the ox cart and the sail boat to the steam-boat and the train and the end is not yet. You will remember when on the average railroad there were but two or three trains a day and they running only 20 to 30 miles an hour. While at the present time great trains are speeding from city to city at 90 miles an hour, maybe, 15 minutes apart, 10 minutes and 5 minutes following one another on the same iron. Where there are 2,000,000 men employees of the railroad from the engineer down to the last man on the section on his nerve, with keen eyes, quick wits, clear brain and steady nerve, to know that everything runs true to schedule.

Where can there be any place for "beverage alcohol" in all that great organization?

One of the greatest total abstinence societies of the world is the Locomotive Engineers 11,000 of them pledged to refrain from the use of beverage alcohol not because of the 18th Amendment and the Volstead Law but because of the great economic laws and demands of today.

Then the automobile Henry Ford says, "The era of the automobile is necessarily bringing to an end the era of the beverage liquor traffic."

one more liberal judge on the Supreme Bench."

They would elect a Wet President. Why?

Because the president has in his hands the appointment to all vacancies in the United States Supreme Court; to appoint all Federal United States Marshals; all heads of customs; the heads of all United States Coast Guards; the Attorney General; and the Secretary of Treasury under whom comes the Prohibition Commissioners and Prohibition Directors.

For the evening service several reels of motion pictures told the story of the olden days when the saloon was in operation, which to the older generations present were very familiar.

There was a good attendance at both services, especially in the evening when the place was packed with people.

TO HOUSTON! WHY?

Washington, D. C.—The Democrats, whose consistent efficiency in political blundering is one of the real marvels of the age, have apparently pulled another first-class "boner" in their selection of Houston as the convention city. Of course, when one is planning a funeral, the exact place where the obsequies are held is of no particular moment, providing the friends and relatives are agreeable. Washington gossips have it, however, that the good people of Houston are far from enthusiastic over "the great honor" which has been conferred upon them, and that the Democratic nitwits who voted for Houston are now cudgeling their brains in the hope of discovering why they did it.

Jesse H. Jones, who is one of the few Democrats who have been able to make money and keep it, apparently, deserves all credit for this selection. When he found his party faced not only with half-hearted convention offers, but a defeat, his Texan heart swelled and he threw a blank check on the table, telling the leaders they could write their own ticket. It is to be hoped that the good people in the South will contribute a little of the ink when the "making-good" period arrives.

The Houston offer, it must be admitted, even though it originated entirely with Jones, was apparently the most sincere of the lot. Democratic national conventions now run to such a length and for such a time that the average business community can hardly afford to give itself over to the luxury of entertaining a body which meets for a week's business and takes two months to complete it.

New Yorkers, even outside the hotelkeepers, have not yet recovered from the 1924 Democratic convention. This feeling was early evident at the Democratic meeting. San Francisco had made a bid; and because of the Gold-En Gate City always keeps its word, it sustained it with a check, but it was worth noting that it never even hinted at increasing the ante.

Detroit's attitude was that if the Democrats wanted to come, they could do it, but the responsibility was on their own heads. Cleveland was decidedly cold. Therefore, before the rank and file of the Democracy pours all its vials of wrath on the heads of those who picked Houston, it is just as well they should appreciate that with little or no competition, Houston was pretty nearly Hobson's Choice.

Father Sage Says:

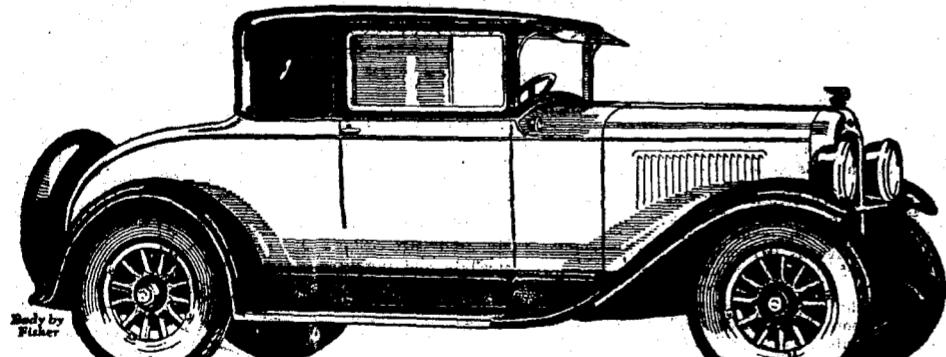
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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Schemes Against U. S. Leadership Are Likely to Fail in Havana.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

LATIN-AMERICAN statesmen who planned to undermine the leadership of the United States on the Western hemisphere during the Pan-American conference in Havana are not likely to accomplish much in that way, and may even abandon the attempt for the present. Their cause was greatly weakened by President Coolidge's visit to Havana and his diplomatic though firm address, and by the strength of the United States delegation headed by Charles Evans Hughes. During their two days in Cuba Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge quite won the hearts of the people of that republic and the President's speech at the formal opening of the conference was admittably effective in bringing closer together the United States and the smaller republics of the New world. The address was broadcast throughout this country by radio.

Mr. Hughes and the other American delegates were discreet and tactful when the conference was organized for work on Wednesday, but it was evident they were watching every move and that they were ready to head off any action condemnatory of the policies of the United States and to justify our government's course in Nicaragua and elsewhere if the necessary arose. Mr. Hughes made one move which seemed significant. At his suggestion Dr. Antonio de Bustamante of Cuba, president of the conference, was made an ex-officio member of all committees. He is in full sympathy with American policies in the Caribbean and agrees with Mr. Hughes on questions of international law that will come under discussion.

In Italy the Coolidge address and the firm attitude of the American delegation aroused much bitter comment in the newspapers, for Mussolini has been planning a union of all Latin countries to be headed by Italy, and the failure of this scheme is seen if the United States maintains and extends its hegemony on the Western continent.

President Coolidge and his party returned to Washington Thursday after a swift rail trip from Key West that was broken only by a stop of an hour in Jacksonville, Fla.

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COMPLYING with the wishes of the administration, the senate finance committee postponed consideration of the tax bill passed by the house until March 15, when, according to Senator Smoot, "it will be possible to determine more accurately the amount of revenues and expenditures during the coming year. Democratic members vainly insisted on immediate action."

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PEARING before the house naval committee, Admiral Hughes, chief of naval operations, said that if

the United States is to have a really adequate fleet it will have to spend a billion dollars, rather than the \$760,000,000 called for by the present construction program. He held it would be necessary to add at least 25 percent more ships to the present program, which calls for the completion within the next eight years of 25 cruisers, 35 submarines, 9 destroyers leaders and 5 aircraft carriers.

Our battleships, the admiral asserted, are "woefully behind" those of Great Britain in gun power, range, speed and effectiveness, and in reply to questions he disputed the theory of Admiral Sims that the battleship would be displaced by the aircraft carrier as the backbone of the fleet in the next war and that aircraft and submarines would be dominant factors.

Word comes from London that the British government has further reduced its naval building program, abandoning another cruiser, which makes a total of three dropped since the Geneva naval conference. The saving will be about \$27,500,000.

REAT BRITAIN is extremely cautious in the matter of security agreements. In a note to the subcommittee on security of the preparatory committee on disarmament which meets in Geneva in February, the government emphatically reasserts its belief in localized agreements as opposed to generalized schemes.

The note points out that the strength of an arbitration treaty depends entirely on the willingness of the parties to support decisions unfavorable to themselves, which creates liabilities "beyond which a state cannot go in accepting binding obligations to arbitrate."

It observes that the time is not ripe for any general system of sanctions for the enforcement of arbitration treaties, and doubts that any nation which is strong enough to use force effectively would at present undertake any such general obligations to use force against a party to a dispute which refused to submit to arbitration.

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